**Environmental Audits**

2165. SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD:
SHRI M.V. CHANDRASEKHARA MURTHY:
SHRI M.V.V. MURTHI:
SHRI SARAT CHANDRA PATTANAYAK:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for mandatory environmental audits in industries; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Yes Sir

(b) Every person carrying on an industry, operation or process requinng consent under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 or the Air (Prevention and Control Of Pollution) Act, 1981 or both or authorisation under the Hazardous (Management and Handling) Rules, 1989 shall submit an Environmental Audit Report for the Financial Year ending the 31st March in the form prescribed by the Government to the concerned State Pollution control Board on or before the 15th day of My every year, starting from 1993.

[*Translation*]

**Afforestation Targets**

2166. SHRI RAJVEER SINGH:
SHRI RATILAL VERMA
SHRI RAM SAGAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the state-wise targets for afforestation programme during the Seventh Plan has been achieved,

(b) if so, the details thereof,

(c) if not the resons therefor,

(d) whether the grant released to States has been fully utilized, and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) to (c) The State-wise targets and achievements of afforestation and tree planting activities under the 20 - Point Programme, during the Seventh Five Year Plan period (1985-90) are given in attached Statement-I. On an overall basis, against the targets of 8 6 million hectares for the five year period the total achievement was 8 8 million hectares

(d) and (e). The State-wise outlays and utilisation of funds during the Seventh Plan period for afforestation and tree planting activities are given in attached Statement-II.

**STATEMENT-I**

*(Area in Hectares)*

| *Sl No.* | *States/U.Ts* | *Targets* | *Achievements* |
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| *1* | *2* | *3* | *4* |
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